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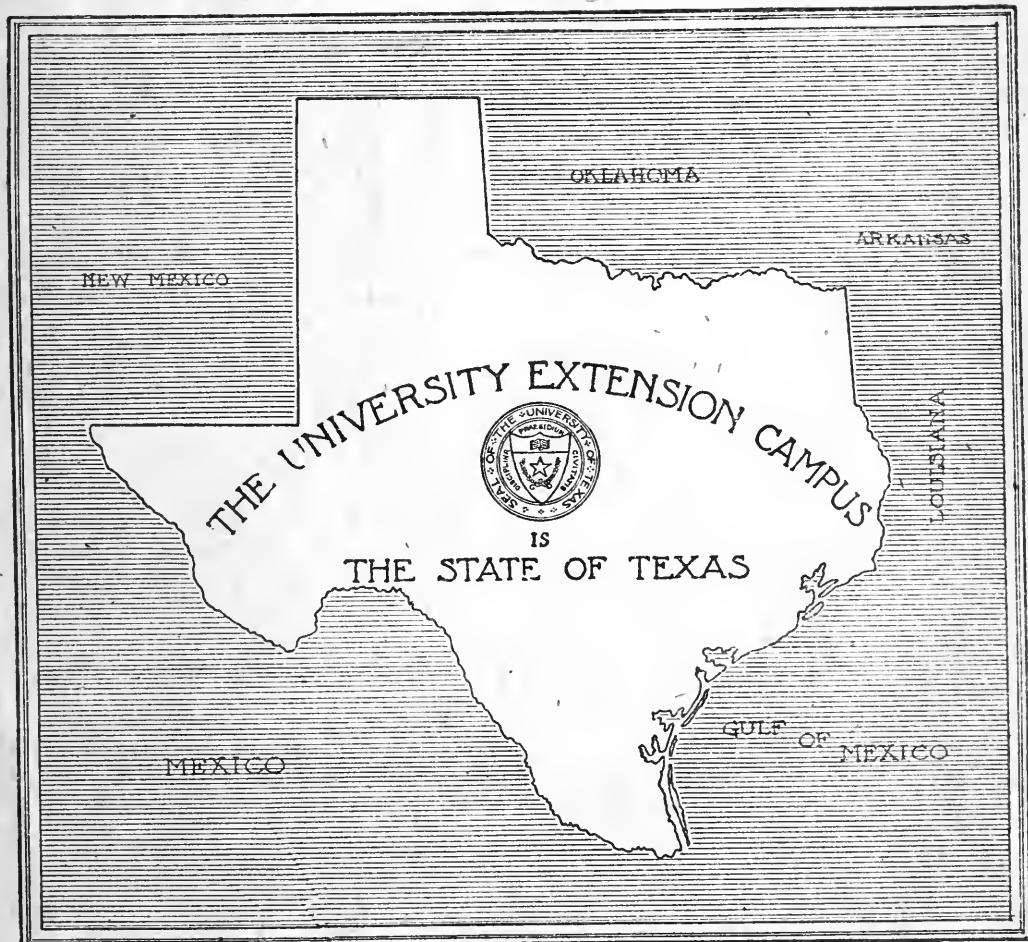
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The benefits of education and of useful knowledge, generally diffused through a community, are essential to the preservation of a free government.

Sam Houston

Cultivated mind is the guardian genius of democracy. . . . It is the only dictator that freemen acknowledge and the only security that freemen desire.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXTENSION WORK FOR WAR SERVICE

Since the entrance of our country into the world war, the University of Texas has given some five hundred of its students and officers of instruction to the service of the Government. It has also established courses in military instruction, whereby students are enabled to make some preparation for war service while pursuing their regular studies at the University. But the University authorities believe that our duty to the State and Federal Government in the present crisis is not fully discharged by these services alone. It is felt that it is the distinct duty of the University at this time to extend its influence in the way of patriotic service throughout the territory which it serves. The Department of Extension has, therefore been re-organized, in some measure, with a view to rendering war service, without unduly interfering with established lines of work. To this end, we offer to the Federal Government and to the citizens of Texas the following lines of service in helping to win the war and to solve the new and difficult problems that confront our democracy:—

FOOD CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN

The Extension lecturers in Home Economics and also other members of the Home Economics staff are engaged in a State-wide campaign to assist in the problem of Food Conservation. Miss Mary E. Gearing, head of the Division of Home Welfare, is serving as State Chairman, in co-operation with the A. & M. College and the Federal Government. Clubs or other organizations desiring assistance should write to Miss Gearing, University, Austin.

CO-OPERATIVE SERVICE WITH THE ARMY Y. M. C. A.

The University Extension Department has organized the Army camps at San Antonio for the teaching of French to the soldiers in those camps, and this work will be extended to other Army camps in Texas just as rapidly as possible. Uni-

versity lecturers and also entertainment in the way of lantern slides, moving pictures and music will also be furnished these camps from time to time.

CO-OPERATIVE WORK WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Alfred Fairbank, Director of Civilian Relief for the Southwestern Division of the American Red Cross, to send lecturers and demonstrators to aid in the Home Service work of Red Cross chapters in Texas. Chapters desiring such service should first apply direct to Mr. Alfred Fairbank, 1617 Railway Exchange, St. Louis, Mo.

THE TEXAS THRIFT AND SAVINGS LEAGUE, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO SCHOOL SAVINGS

In the spring of 1917, the Department of Extension launched a State-wide campaign among the schools with reference to Thrift and Savings in general and the establishment of school savings banks in particular. This movement was organized in co-operation with the Texas State Bankers' Association, the Texas Women's Bankers' Association, the various women's clubs, etc. A Thrift and Savings League bulletin has been published, showing the various ways in which a School Savings system may be conducted. We are now advising all schools to devote savings toward the purchase of War Savings Certificates. Anyone interested in organizing a savings movement in any particular school should write to Mr. Roy Bedichek, Secretary, and all necessary information will be furnished.

THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

This organization, which will doubtless have upwards of three thousand schools in Texas as members this year, will be used so far as practicable for the same general purpose as other branches of our Extension service briefly outlined above. Special attention of all teachers and others interested in the various contests of the League is called to the following:

1. In all the declamation contests, patriotic selections are required. By a patriotic selection is meant one that refers either directly or indirectly to the problems of the war. Remember in this connection that there is a new rural school division in declamation; that is, one- and two-teacher schools. The pupils from these schools may also enter the other declamation contests.

2. In the essay contest, each pupil will be required to write on the subject, "What I Have Done to Help Win the War." The contest in essay-writing will be further distributed by the establishment of five different divisions in order to give an opportunity to the smallest rural school to participate in this contest this year. That is, there will be a separate essay contest for (1) Class A high schools, (2) Class B high schools, (3) ward schools, (4) rural schools having three or more teachers, and (5) one- and two-teacher rural schools. With this increase in the total number of essays, county directors of essay writing should note that only the one best essay from each school will be submitted for the county contest; then the best one from the county sent to the district director; and the best one in each of the five divisions from the district will be forwarded to the State Chairman. The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and the Texas Mothers' Congress have pledged themselves to furnish \$25.00 worth of books to the schools in each district that win in the declamation and essay contests at the final State meeting. The Macmillan Company also offers a special prize of \$25.00 worth of books to the one- and two-teacher rural school winning the State championship in essay writing.

3. We are planning for the proclamation of a Liberty Day to be observed by all the schools in Texas, and particularly all schools belonging to the Interscholastic League. On this day, to be designated for a date in the early spring, each school and school community in the State will hold patriotic exercises at the schoolhouse. A detailed program for this occasion will appear in the February number of "The Interscholastic Leaguer."

GENERAL INFORMATION ON PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE WAR

The Extension Loan Librarian has collected considerable material on special subjects relating to War Service, such as the causes of the war, the duties and opportunities of Americans, food conservation, etc., etc. These "package libraries" will be loaned to any citizen of Texas upon application.

For further information regarding any of the foregoing lines of service address the University Department of Extension, Austin, Texas.

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TEACHERS! CAN YOU THINK? THEN THINK OF THESE FACTS.

1. The supply of cheap teachers is greater than the demand.
2. The demand for high-priced teachers is far greater than the supply.
3. The army has taken so many good teachers that there has never been a time in the history of Texas when additional education would pay so large a cash dividend.
4. The University of Texas, during the summer of 1918, will run a full three-month quarter divided into two equal terms. The Summer School will begin about the middle of June.
5. The University Summer Normal will be held during the first term of the Summer School.
6. A single registration fee of five dollars (\$5.00) will entitle you to attend either or both terms of the Summer School, or the Normal.
7. Courses both elementary and advanced will be given during each summer term by the members of the regular University faculty.

For information address E. J. Matthews, Registrar, Austin, Texas.